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SUBJ: USIS BUILDING STONED BY MOB

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 1720 LOCAL TIME USIS BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN ANKARA WAS STONED BY A CROWD OF SEVERAL HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS. STONING LASTED APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES AND BROKE MOST OF THE WINDOWS ON THE STREETSIDE OF THIS THREE STORY BUILDING. OFFICIAL AND EMPLOYEE CARS IN THE ADJACENT PARKING LOT WERE ALSO DAMAGED. FOUR USIS LOCAL EMPLOYEES WERE IN BUILDING AT TIME BUT WERE UNHURT. EXCEPT FOR BROKEN GLASS NO OTHER DAMAGE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN DONE TO THE BUILDING. AFTER APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES TURK RIOT POLICE ARRIVED IN MASSIVE NUMBERS (TWELVE BUS LOADS PLUS FIVE RIOT CONTROL TANK-TYPE VEHICLES) AND ORDER WAS QUICKLY RESTORED.

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2. DEMONSTRATORS WERE YOUNG, MOSTLY COLLEGE AGE. PRESUMPTION IS THAT

THEY PEELED OFF FROM ONE OF THE THREE MAJOR POLITICAL RALLIES BEING HELD IN ANKARA THIS AFTERNOON ON EVE OF TOMORROW'S ELECTIONS.

3. WE HAVE REGISTERED A PROTEST WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WHILE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT AND MASSIVE POLICE REACTION.

4. SINCE DRAFTING ABOVE WE HAVE RECEIVED REPORTS THAT THE TROUBLE BEGAN AT REPUBLICAN PEOPLES PARTY (RPP) RALLY FOLLOWING ECEVIT SPEECH, AND THAT IN CLASHES BETWEEN DEMONSTRATORS AND POLICE WHICH TOOK PLACE EARLIER, I.E., IN AREA OF THE RALLY, TWELVE POLICEMEN AND EIGHT DEMONSTRATORS WERE WOUNDED, SOME SEVERELY. WE ALSO HEAR THAT THERE WERE ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ARRESTS.
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